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Minnesota Crop Progress & Condition



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For the week ending November 18, 2018 Issued November 19, 2018

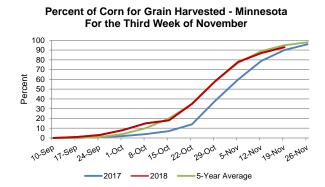
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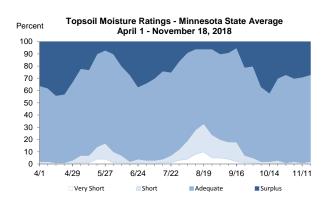
Below normal temperatures and scattered precipitation left Minnesota farmers with only 3.5 **days suitable for fieldwork** during the week ending November 18, 2018, according to USDA's National Agricultural Statistics Service. Field activities for the week included the ongoing harvest of corn, soybeans and sunflowers. Fall tillage activities were limited in areas with frozen ground, as many areas reported tillage will need to wait for next spring.

Topsoil moisture supplies were rated 0 percent very short, 2 percent short, 71 percent adequate and 27 percent surplus. **Subsoil moisture** supplies were rated 1 percent very short, 5 percent short, 68 percent adequate and 26 percent surplus.

Corn harvested for grain was 93 percent complete, 4 days ahead of last year but 3 days behind the five year average. **Corn moisture** content of grain at harvest averaged 18 percent, unchanged from last week. Ninety-eight percent of the **soybean** crop was harvested, 2 weeks behind both last year and the average.

Sunflower harvest was 90 percent complete, 1 week behind average.





Days Suitable for Fieldwork and Soil Moisture Supplies as of November 18, 2018

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	This	Last	Last	5 Yr		
	Week	Week	Year	Avg		
Days suitable	3.5	3.5	5.4	3.9		
	Very short	Short	Adequate	Surplus		
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)		
Topsoil moisture	0	2	71	27		
Subsoil moisture	1	5	68	26		

Field Work and Crop Progress as of November 18, 2018

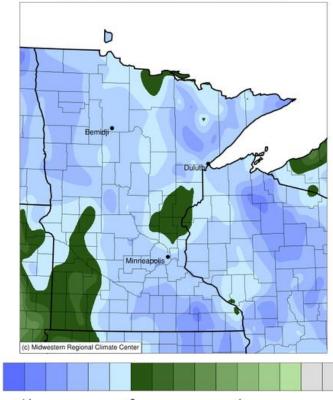
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	This	Last	Last	5 Yr		
	Week	Week	Year	Avg		
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)		
Corn harvested for grain	93	87	88	95		
Corn moisture content	18	18	18	(NA)		
Sunflowers harvested	90	83	96	95		

(NA) Not available.

Minnesota Temperatures and Precipitation for the week ending November 18, 2018

Average Temperature (°F): Departure from 1981-2010 Normals

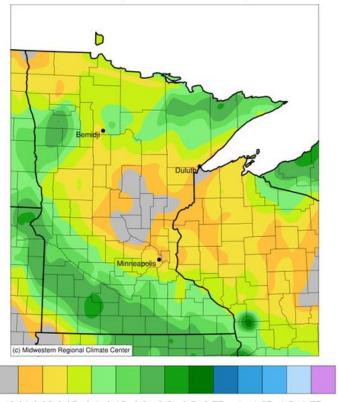
November 12, 2018 to November 18, 2018



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Accumulated Precipitation (in)

November 12, 2018 to November 18, 2018



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National Weather Service data, courtesy of the Minnesota Department of Natural Resources State Climatology Office, is available at: http://www.dnr.state.mn.us/climate/historical/summary.html

Growing Degree Days can be found at https://mygeohub.org/groups/u2u/gdd

Temperature and Precipitation Maps, courtesy of the Midwestern Regional Climate Center, are available at: http://mrcc.isws.illinois.edu/CLIMATE/